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HISTORY OF DENTISTRY IN OREGON

P/ W. Claude Adams, Executive Secretary, Oregon State Dental Association, has announced the publication of his History of Dentistry in Oregon. The work contains 384 pages with many illustrations. It can be obtained at $7.50 a copy, from Dr. Adams, the Executive Secretary, 304 Selling Building, Portland 5, Oregon.

Caementum, the Journal of the Alumni Association of the Dental School of the University of Oregon, in the August 1956 issue, publishes "Chronology of Events in the History of The Dental School Leading to Incorporation into the Oregon State System of Higher Education" and "Events Leading to the Autonomy and Construction of the New Dental School of the University of Oregon" (13:10-11 and 12-15, respectively).

RECENT BOOKS ON THE HISTORY OF MEDICINE AND SCIENCE

P/ Valuable background information for the history of dentistry in America is to be found in Brooke Hindle's "The Pursuit of Science in Revolutionary America 1735-1789, The University of North Carolina Press, Chapel Hill, 1956.

An interesting work dealing with the history of special procedures in the medical field is William Brockbank's Ancient Therapeutic Arts, Charles C. Thomas, Springfield, Illinois, 1954.

Of more general interest is Henry E. Sigerist's Landmarks in the History of Hygiene, Oxford University Press, London, New York, and Toronto, 1956.

Here also should be listed the English translation by Charles M. Stern of August Pi Suñer's Classics of Biology, New York, Philosophical Library, Inc., 1955. The work deals with 16 aspects of the history of biology, such as the cell theory, metabolism, growth and reproduction, heredity. Each chapter begins with a historical sketch of the subject, followed by extracts from classic discussions by scientists of world fame--Darwin, Descartes, Virchow, etc.

SPANISH DENTISTRY IN THE 15TH CENTURY

P/ Eduardo Ruiz Esquiu has contributed to the Revista Española 4:363-365 July-August 1956, "El Arte Dental en el Siglo XV." This article is interesting mostly because of the mention of two historical books apparently not listed elsewhere. These are: Francisco Vindel's La Odontologia en España en los textos castellanos del siglo XV, Barcelona 1952.

Arques Miarnau's Historia anecdotica de la Odontologia, Barcelona 1945.

HISTORY OF REGISTRY OF DENTAL AND ORAL PATHOLOGY
F/ Of special interest to the historian of the American Dental Association is the mimeographed account in two parts of the Registry of Dental and Oral Pathology by Henry A. Swanson, at one time Chairman of the Council on Dental Museum and Registry, closely related to the Registry. Copies of this historical account may be obtained upon request to Dr. H. Trendley Dean, Secretary of the Council on Dental Research.

JAPANESE DENTISTRY
F/ In an article entitled "Impulse für die Zahnheilkunde durch japanische Fachliteratur," Hugo Bergemann (Zahnärztliche Mitteilungen 44: 616-617 Sept. 1, 1956) on the occasion of the opening of the new German East-Asian Institute gives a sketch of the development of dentistry in Japan. The most interesting feature of this short article is the two illustrations, reproductions of original Japanese drawings, one from 1846 and the other from 1335(?).

MORE ABOUT THE CRAWCOURS
F/ The following details regarding the notorious Crawcours are furnished by B. W. Weinberger:

Monsieur Crawcour and Sons arrived in New York City during the summer of 1834. Their advertisements indicated that members of the family had practiced previously in Paris and London over an extended period--for at least two generations. Those who arrived in New York came from London, and it has been assumed that they were two brothers. They continued to practice until March of 1835 when they were forced to leave because of public opinion, and although the police in a chartered boat attempted to stop their ship at Sandy Hook, the captain refused to turn them over to the authorities. Thus they made their escape.

RUSPINI AGAIN
F/ "Bartolomeo Ruspini" is the subject of an article by Enzo Caudana, in Rassegna Trimestrale di Odontoiatria 37:167-174 July-September 1956. The article contains no new information and appears to be based entirely on the articles by B. W. Weinberger (whom he mentions once by name) and by J. Menzies Campbell (who is identified only by an unascribed quotation).

A HISTORY OF DENTISTRY IN MISSISSIPPI
F/ William R. Wright's An Account of Early Dentistry in Mississippi and a Limited History of the Mississippi Dental Association, 1875-1956 has just now been issued. It is an 84-page brochure and gives a year by year account of the state association.